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"A NOVEL METHOD TO ACHIEVE STI
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RESPONSE PATENT OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 15, 2003
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